

# House Study Bill 564 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
NATURAL RESOURCES BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON RAYHONS)

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to pheasant hunting season and bag limits.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 481A.49 Pheasant hunting — season  
2 — bag limits.

1. The open season for hunting pheasants shall be the last Saturday in October through December 15.

5     2. The daily bag limit is two cock birds and the possession  
6 limit is eight cock birds.

7     3. The commission shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A  
8 to implement this section.

9       Sec. 2.   Section 805.8B, subsection 3, paragraph h,  
10 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2011, is amended to read as  
11 follows:

12 For violations of ~~section~~ sections 481A.48 and 481A.49  
13 relating to restrictions on game birds and animals and pheasant  
14 hunting season and bag limits, the scheduled fines are as  
15 follows:

16 EXPLANATION

17 This bill shortens the open season for hunting pheasants  
18 by ending the season on December 15 instead of on January  
19 10 of the succeeding year, as is currently allowed pursuant  
20 to administrative rules adopted by the natural resource  
21 commission. The bill also reduces the daily bag limit from  
22 three to two cock birds and the possession limit from 12 to  
23 eight cock birds. A violation of a provision of the bill  
24 is subject to a scheduled fine pursuant to Code section  
25 805.8B(3)(h) with the fine varying depending on the nature of  
26 the violation.

27 The commission is required to adopt rules pursuant to Code  
28 chapter 17A to implement the new provisions.